

## CONVENTION DEFENDED.

## How Republicans Can Qualify For Capital Removal.

A. W. Long in Times-Union and Citizen:

For the benefit of friends throughout the state, and especially those of Dade county, I ask space to defend the action of the late state convention of the Democratic party of Florida as to the removal of the state capital.

1. Under political law and usage a political party cannot prescribe rules and regulations for the government of other political parties.

2. The rules and regulations formulated and adopted by a political party in state convention assembled, either by platform or resolution, becomes the party law of that party, and the rank and file of such party are politically bound under party law to conform to such rules and regulations.

3. The above mentioned promises being universally admitted as true by all political parties, and the action of the late state Democratic convention, notwithstanding the object of the primaries to be held throughout the state provided for, contemplating an amendment to the constitution of the state, the action thus taken was political, and the convention had no more political right to open the ballot box to the voters of Republicans or Populists without party concessions than it would have to invite them to participate in our nominating primaries for state or county candidates for office, without first making political concessions, and the state Democratic convention has prescribed as little concession to our Republican friends to qualify them to vote in the November primary as any party can afford to make as a prerequisite to eligibility to vote in a political primary.

4. Should the primary vote in November result in favoring an amendment to the state capital, every Democratic member of the next ensuing state legislature would be politically bound to vote for such amendments, and in case it received three-fifths of the votes of the legislature, it would at the regular election of 1902 be submitted to all the electors of the state for ratification or rejection without regard to political parties.

5. The state of Florida being Democratic does not as a party measure remove it from party politics. The only concession of our Republican friends to qualify themselves to vote in the November primaries as to the removal of the state capital is to vote for the Democratic nominees for state offices, they being all good, true and competent men to fill the offices they have been nominated to fill, and it being a foregone matter that they will be elected, and as Republicans in voting for said state nominees will not thereby make any concession of any economic or other issue dividing the Democratic and Republican parties in Florida on state issues. I respectfully submit that there is no good reason why Republicans should not qualify themselves and vote on the capital removal question at the primaries in November.

## Notice.

At a meeting held at Fort Pierce, Fla., August 9th, 1900, of the Democratic senatorial executive committee of the 13th senatorial district of Florida, viz: M. S. Jones, Jr., M. S. Sams, John Houston, G. S. Hardee, W. J. Tucker, George W. Lainhart, A. E. Heyser, W. A. Filer, Fred'k. S. Morse and E. B. King, G. S. Hardee, of Rockledge, Fla., was elected chairman, and Fred'k. S. Morse, of Miami, Fla., was elected secretary.

FRED'K. S. MORSE,  
Secretary.

## Made Poor Accounts.

Tampa Morning Tribune: There will probably be in the course of a few days some interesting developments in connection with the suicide of Blas Trujillo, the prominent cigar manufacturer, which occurred last Saturday afternoon in his private office in the factory building.

Since the sudden termination of the cigar manufacturer's career, public gossip has been rife with various rumors of alleged motives for the act of self-slaughter. Little by little the facts are coming out, and the whole story will doubtless be known by the end of the week. For as much as two months before the suicide adverse fate seemed to be making special sport with the fortunes of the firm of which the dead manufacturer was the head.

Within a week of each other the leading concerns which were handling his cigars went into practical bankruptcy, and the loss of Blas Trujillo & Co., in bad accounts, are estimated to have totaled, in two weeks, the sum of \$75,000.

## Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents, sold by B. R. Wilson & Son, druggists.

## DAT BASE BALL GAME.

Hab you eber been to see de boys play base ball?

(Dey play ebery Saturday near de band hall.) If not, I tell you you hab lost fun a heab, Cause de show is funny and bery cheab.

I tuk a seat on de right way out into de field; No ball could hit me der, cause dat pine tree was my shield.

De grandstand was of boards laid flat upon de ground;

De gemen's dey went at it, but de ladies dey stood round.

De Seminoles va. Reds, dats what de bills did say.

Don't know what vs. means, excebt dat ball dey can't play.

Ob course it was quite natural, de wind dey had to fan,

And stand de noise and racket of rooters' middle stan'.

Pierre was de first to handle dat big bat; When two strikes was called he then took off his hat.

"Just let me hit it," he said, then shooked all over;

"You might find de ball, but neber de ball's cover."

De rooters in de gran' stan' yelled derselves hoarse,

Expecting to see de ball ober Scobie's in its course.

De umbire he looked serious, den all at once did shout:

"Dat was a fair ball, Pierre; three strikes and fanned out!"

One by one dey lined up right along side de plate,

But each one had de same tale to relate.

As de Reds went out, in marched de Seminoles,

Laughing at de Reds as dey crawled into der holes.

"Walker to de bat!" dats de man dat ships trout.

He stood like a statue till three strikes and out.

Der was a long feller dey called Billiban;

He pitched for de Reds, but Seminole he fan.

"Porpoise" to de bat," de scorer den said.

Neber was der such noise as de rooters den made.

A tall young buck, wid hair kinder red,

Toed de line, yet wished he was dead.

"Porpoise" in de hot sun burning his red head;

Rooters in de gran' stan' enjoying de shade.

"Strikes, one!" yelled de umbire; "strikes, two," as next ball passed,

De rooters in de gran' stan' at umpire sassed.

De umbire he got rattled, 'cause de rooters at him yelled.

"Strikes, three, and out," and dis decisim held.

De game stood even steben—nary side had scored a run;

De rooters in de gran' stan' at umbire still poked fun.

"I quit," said de cap: "no more games will I umpire,

I'd sooner be dead and buried way deep in de mire."

De Reds den went home—just crawled into der holes—

To wait for de next time dey meet de Seminoles.

De Seminoles dey headed north (short cut for de Everglades),

But stopped at de Decanter and tanked up on lemonades.

De cap—well he was mad—so to cool his self sorter,

Took in Wilson's drug store and loaded on soda water.

Titusville, Aug. 18th, 1900.

—J. A. C.

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## Georgia State Fair.

The people of Georgia are manifesting more interest in the Georgia state fair to be held in Valdosta October 29th to November 4th than has been shown for years. Evidently the Georgia State Agricultural society has made no mistake in the selection of the place for the forthcoming fair. Being in the heart of the wiregrass region, eminently the best agricultural portion of the state, the agricultural exhibits will go far beyond anything ever seen at the state fair in the south, and the Valdosta people are determined to offer sufficient inducements to obtain these exhibits. They have already done considerably better than they promised, having increased the county and individual premiums several hundred dollars beyond those called for by their contract with the Agricultural society.

Foley's Kidney Cure has been tested and found to be all you claim for it. I have been giving it to my father and it is the only thing that has ever helped him, writes Geo. C. Hickcock, Curtiss, Wis. Wilson & Son.

## List of Appointments.

The dates and places fixed by the state Democratic executive committee for speaking during the coming campaign are as follows:

- Sept. 3—Miami, night.
- " 4—West Palm Beach, day.
- " 5—Titusville, night.
- " 6—Daytona, day.
- " 7—St. Augustine, night.
- " 8—Fernandina, night.

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## NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Whereas, The legislature of 1899, under the constitution of 1885, of the state of Florida, did pass four joint resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution of the state of Florida, and the same were agreed to by a vote of three-fifths of all the members elected to each house; that the vote on said joint resolutions were entered upon their respective journals, with the yeas and nays thereon, and they did determine and direct that the said joint resolutions be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November, 1900.

Now, therefore, I, Jno. L. Crawford, secretary of state, of the state of Florida, do hereby give notice that a

## GENERAL ELECTION

will be held in each county in Florida on Tuesday next succeeding the first Monday in November, A. D. 1900, the said Tuesday being the

## SIXTH DAY OF NOVEMBER,

for the ratification or rejection of the said joint resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution of the state of Florida, viz:

## Article XV.

That the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Florida be and the same is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election A. D. 1900 for ratification or rejection:

Section 4, Article VII, of the constitution of the state of Florida is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. Where any senatorial district is composed of two or more counties, the counties of which such district consists shall not be entirely separated by any county belonging to another district. Any new county that may be created shall be entitled to one member in the house of representatives, in excess of the limit prescribed in section 2 of this article until the apportionment following next thereafter, and shall be assigned when created to one of the adjoining senatorial districts as shall be determined by the legislature.

## Article XVI.

That the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Florida be and is hereby agreed to, and shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1900, for ratification or rejection:

Section 25 of Article III of said constitution be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 25. The legislature shall provide by general law for incorporating such educational, agricultural, mechanical, mining, transportation, mercantile and other useful companies or associations as may be deemed necessary; but it shall not pass any special law on any such subject, and any such special law shall be of no effect; provided, however, that nothing herein shall preclude special legislation as to a university or the public schools, or as to a ship canal across the state.

## Article XVII.

That the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Florida be and the same is hereby agreed to, and shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November, A. D. 1900, for ratification or rejection:

Section 5 of Article VIII of the constitution shall be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 5. Immediately upon the ratification of this amendment the county commissioners of the several counties of this state shall divide their respective counties into five commissioner's districts, to be numbered respectively from one to five, inclusive, and each district shall be, as nearly as possible, equal in proportion to population, and thereafter there shall be in each of such districts a county commissioner who shall be elected by the qualified electors of said county at the time and place of voting for other county officers, and shall hold his office for two years. The powers, duties and compensation of such county commissioners shall be prescribed by law; provided, that nothing herein shall effect the terms of commissioners holding office at the time of such division; provided, further, that all vacancies occurring by limitations of terms, or from death, resignation, or otherwise, before the election of 1902, shall be filled by appointment by the governor as now provided by law.

## Article XVIII.

That the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Florida be and the same is hereby agreed to, and shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November, A. D. 1900, for ratification or rejection:

Section 12 of Article XVI of the constitution of the state of Florida is amended to read as follows:

Section 12. The present seal of the state shall remain the seal of the state of Florida. The state flag shall be of the following proportions and description: Depth to be three-fourths length of fly. The seal of the state of diameter one-third the fly, in the center of a white ground. Red bars, in width one-eighth the length of fly extending from each corner toward the center to the outer rim of the seal.

The votes cast in compliance with said proposed amendments, and the canvass, declarations and returns thereof, shall be subjected to the same regulations and restrictions as are provided by law for general elections in the state of Florida.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the great seal of the state of Florida, at Tallahassee, the capital, this, the first day of August, A. D. 1900.

JOHN L. CRAWFORD,  
Secretary of State.

To J. P. Brown, Sheriff Brevard County.

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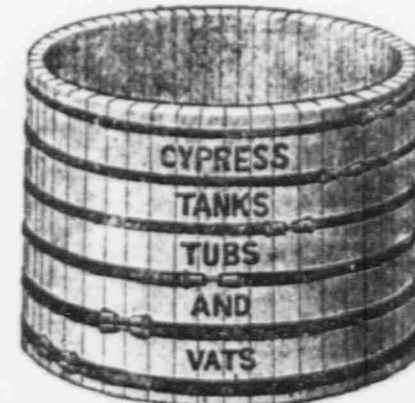
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